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Applicant: Vimla Band Art Unit: 1652

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METHODS

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PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated September 22, 2004, be extended for two months to and including February 22, 2005. Please note applicants previously filed a one-month extension of time on January 24, 2005. Therefore, a check in the amount of only \$165 is enclosed for the required fee.

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Respectfully submitted,

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